

**REMARKS**

Applicants thank the Examiner for total consideration given the present invention. Claims 1-9 and 11-16 were pending prior to the Office Action. Claims 13-16 have been cancelled through this reply. Claim 1 is independent.

According to the Office Action, this application is in condition for allowance except for the presence of claims 13-16 directed to an invention non-elected with traverse in the reply filed on April 20, 2006. Applicants have cancelled claims 13-16 through this reply. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested to withdraw the objection raised by the Examiner and pass the application to issue.

**CONCLUSION**

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Ali M. Imam, Reg. No.58,755 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

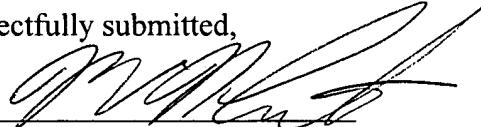
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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37.C.F.R. §§1.16 or 1.14; particularly, extension of time fees.

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